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In re Patent Application of:) Group Art Unit: 2822
Shunpei YAMAZAKI et al.) Examiner: Monica Lewis
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RESPONSE

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
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Dear Sir:

The Official Action mailed April 7, 2008, has been received and its contents carefully noted. This response is filed within three months of the mailing date of the Official Action and therefore is believed to be timely without extension of time. Accordingly, the Applicant respectfully submits that this response is being timely filed.

Initially, the Examiner is thanked for granting an interview on Wednesday, July 9, 2008, to discuss the present *Response*.

The Applicant notes with appreciation the consideration of the Information Disclosure Statements filed on April 12, 2001; June 17, 2002; July 17, 2002; August 14, 2002; January 27, 2003; August 21, 2003; December 8, 2003; June 1, 2004; November 26, 2004; December 17, 2004; May 25, 2005; November 25, 2005; December 1, 2005; May 30, 2006; November 27, 2006; April 4, 2007; and October 15, 2007.

However, the Applicant has not received acknowledgment of the Information Disclosure Statement filed on March 19, 2008 (received by OIPE on March 20, 2008).